

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION
CORPORATION,

Plaintiff-Applicant,

v.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT
SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB)

SIPA Liquidation

(Substantively Consolidated)

**DECLARATION OF VINEET SEHGAL IN SUPPORT OF THE
TRUSTEE'S NINTH OMNIBUS MOTION TO DISALLOW CLAIMS AND OVERRULE
OBJECTIONS OF CLAIMANTS WHO HAVE NO NET EQUITY**

I, Vineet Sehgal, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, declare as follows:

1. I am a Managing Director at AlixPartners LLP ("AlixPartners"), a consultant to, and claims agent for, Irving H. Picard as trustee (the "Trustee") for the substantively consolidated liquidation of the business of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities ("BLMIS") and Bernard L. Madoff.

2. In December, 2008, AlixPartners was retained by the Trustee as the Trustee's claims agent. As the claims agent, AlixPartners was responsible for both mailing the notice of the liquidation and claim forms to potential claimants and causing the notice of the liquidation to be published. AlixPartners has also been responsible for processing all claims submitted to the Trustee and assisting the Trustee in reviewing each customer claim filed to determine whether the asserted claim amount agrees with the "net equity" for that account. In addition, as the accountants for the BLMIS estate, AlixPartners has assisted and continues to assist the

Trustee in accounting for the assets of the BLMIS estate, including the cash and cash equivalents available to the Trustee.

3. I have been actively involved in the liquidation of BLMIS and the claims process since December 2008 and have personal knowledge of the matters set forth herein.

4. I submit this Declaration based upon the information and knowledge acquired during the course of my retention and in support of the Trustee's Ninth Omnibus Motion to Disallow Claims and Overrule Objections of Claimants Who Have No Net Equity (the "Motion").¹

5. At the Trustee's direction, my colleagues at AlixPartners and I have reviewed the books and records of BLMIS. During the course of my involvement in this matter, I have personally reviewed thousands of documents, as well as schedules prepared and information collected by my colleagues, relating to the books and records of BLMIS, third party records, bank records and other documentation relevant to BLMIS and its customer accounts and information systems. I have reviewed the books and records of BLMIS and the customer claims filed, analyzing the cash deposit activity, cash withdrawal activity, and transfers between accounts.

6. I make this Declaration to verify to the Court that, as consultant to the Trustee and claims agent in the above-captioned case, after conducting a diligent review of BLMIS books and records, we have identified 32 Objections, which dispute the Trustee's Net Investment Method and/or request a Time-Based Damages Adjustment or Tax-Based Adjustment. The Objections are in alphabetical order on **Exhibit A** as well as in BLMIS

¹ Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

account number order on **Exhibit B**. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on April 24, 2017
New York, New York

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "V. Sehgal", is positioned above a horizontal line.

Vineet Sehgal
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